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By the Maior.

London
II. Court
of Aldermen



Here I and my brethren the Aldermen, calling to our remembrance the greedy couctousnes, aswell of the woodmongers as others the owners and sellers of billets and faggots, brought to this Citie to be solde did on the ix. Day of Aprill last call before vs the Wardens of the woodmongers & the greatest number of all such persons as vse to sell billets and faggots within this Citie, and the freedome and liberties of the same, and vppon good deliberation and due consideration had, did then set do wne the rates and prices of billets and faggots as followeth. viz.

That from the first Day of May now last past, during the space of one whole yeare then following, the Westerne and Kentish billets of the best sort with the carriage thereof to be solde and deliuered at the house of the buyer after the rate of twelue shillings the thousand and not aboue. And Essex billets at such rates and prices as by me the Lord Maior vpon samples shewed should be set do wne and appointed. And Westerne faggots of the best sort at iiiij.s. viij.d. the hundred. And Essterne faggots the best sort at v.s. iij.d. the hundred with the carriage to be likewise deliuered at the house of the buyer, as by the same order remainning of record appeareth. Sithens which time diuers woodmongers and others haue very contemptuously and disorderly presumed to sell their billets and faggots at greater prices then by the sayd order is appointed. Which their offences, I the Lord Maior & my brethren the Aldermen, meane to see severely punished accordingly. And for asmuch as it is thought that diuers Citizens and others are ignoraunt of the sayd order and the rates and prices therein con- teyned. I therefore the sayd Lord Maior with the aduise of my sayd brethren the Aldermen, haue thought it meete and cōuenient to notifie and declare the rates and prices aforesayd, by open and publicke proclamation, to the intent that all persons whom the same concerneth may take notice therof: willing and requiring all such persons as sithens the sayd last of May haue bought any billets or faggots at higher prices then aforesayd, or shall hereafter during the time aforesayd pay any more money for billets or faggots then the sayde price. That they presently enforce me the Lord Mayor thereof, with the name of euery such offender, to the end that I may not onely take order that the partie offending may restore such money disorderly taken: but receaue such punishment as shalbe due for his fault, Heuen at the guildhall of the sayd Citie the xx. Day of July. 1584. And in the xxvj. yeare of the raigne of our soueraigne Lady Queene Elizabeth. &c.

Sebright.

God saue the Queene.

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